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Sowing the seeds of sprawl in Florida. – Cabe criticizes U.K. housing renewal scheme. – Are downtowns getting too residential? – Conference in Berlin to explore "30 Years: The European City – Review and Prospects." – Orlando art center: lessons from six other cities. – Seidler's star shines in Sydney. – Clooney's Las Vegas Las Ramblas adventure (finally! a story that actually names architect, designers of \$3 billion complex). – A look at our urge to build skyward. – Chicago design competition for sidewalk recycling bins comes up with "fresh, fun ideas." – The best of the worst Scottish architecture: the Carbuncle Awards return. – Toker and Tafel talk Wright.

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70,000 homes? Not so fast, say activist groups: Planners are banking on increasingly stringent rules, smarter designs...But there is growing fear that the developments are sowing the seeds of sprawl, surging toward some of the region's most prized wetlands and landscapes.- Orlando Sentinel

Architecture advisers condemn Prescott homes: ...issued a devastating critique of new housing that will replace Victorian terraces demolished under John Prescott's renewal scheme. — Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (Cabe) [link]-Telegraph (UK)

People are moving in as jobs are moving out: Appeal of suburbs shifts downtown...For the moment, this massive influx of residents is seen as a good thing. Yet one wonders what becomes of a downtown where so few are actually employed. By Christopher Hume-Toronto Star

International Congress of the Council of European Urbanism: "30 Years: The European City – Review and Prospects" - September 8-10, in Berlin-Council of European Urbanism

The next stage: Six cities show the way as Orlando's arts center takes shape. -- Benjamin Thompson Associates; Barton Myers Associates; Zeidler Roberts Partnership; Cesar Pelli & Associates; Design Team Arcop/Design Arts Group [images, links]- Orlando Santinal

<u>Triguboff's corner grows: For the site...Sydney's most famous developer enlisted its most famous architect, Harry Seidler...influence on the CBD will be seen in no fewer than nine buildings...</u>-Sydney Morning Herald

Puttin' On the Glitz: ...the next evolution in urban lifestyle [in] Las Vegas...\$3 billion hotel and condominium complex...Las Ramblas -- Arquitectonica; Keith Hobbs; Philippe Starck- Casino City Times

High, But Why? 9/11 Has Not Dampened Our Urge To Build Skyward- Hartford Courant (Connecticut)

Salon de Refuse: A design competition for sidewalk receptacles comes up with some fresh, fun ideas for overcoming Chicago's apathy toward recycling. By Lynn Becker [images]- Repeat (Chicago)

Carbuncles return to highlight worst [Scottish] architecture: ...shortlist to be announced at the Scottish Design Show on October 6. [link]- The Herald (Scotland)

University of Pittsburgh Art Historian Franklin Toker Compares Notes With 93-year-old Edgar Tafel, the Last Living Link to the Creation of Fallingwater -- Frank Lloyd Wright-University of Pittsburgh

INSIGHT: Downtown Vancouver's Last Resort: How Did "Living First" Become "Condos Only?" By Trevor Boddy- ArchNewsNow

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- -- Latest News: The Øresund Region -- Zaha Hadid, Denmark; Santiago Calatrava, Sweden
- -- Exhibition: "Dream of Tower" at the Danish Architecture Centre, Copenhagen
- -- Competition winner: Steven Holl Architects: Sail Hybrid/Albert Place Casino, Knokke-Heist, Belgium
- -- MVRDV: Gemini Residence, Copenhagen

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